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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON MONROVIA
SUMMIT

1. FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CARTER SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO
PRESIDENT WILLIAM R. TOLBERT.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:
WE SHALL BE SEEING EACH OTHER SOON, BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW IN
ADVANCE HOW MUCH I ADMIRE THE ROLE YOU PLAYED IN BRINGING ABOUT
THE MEETING OF THE HEADS OF STATE OF IVORY COAST, GUINEA AND
SENEGAL IN MONROVIA MARCH 18-19. IT WAS APPROPRIATE THAT
LIBERIA -- THE OLDEST REPUBLIC IN AFRICA AND A VIGOROUS PRO-
PONENT OF HARMONIOUS COOPERATION AMONG ALL NATIONS WHATEVER
THEIR POLITICAL PERSUASION -- SHOULD BE THE SITE OF THIS MEETING.
I AM SENDING MESSAGES OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THEIR EXCELLENCIES
HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY, AHMED SEKOU TOURE, AND LEOPOLD SEDAR SENGHOR,
FOR THE STATESMANSHIP THEY HAVE DISPLAYED IN FURTHERING THIS
SUMMIT MEETING. I AM ALSO SENDING MESSAGES TO GENERAL EYADEMA,
AND TO ALHAJI SIR DAWDA KAIRABA JAWARA, FOR THE PART THEY HAVE
PLAYED IN THE RECONCILIATION. YOUR COLLECTIVE STATESMANSHIP
REFLECTS A CLEAR PERCEPTION OF THE TRUE INTERESTS OF YOUR
PEOPLES, AND REPRESENTS AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD REDUCING
TENSIONS IN WEST AFRICA.
SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. VANCE
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